

United States Department of Agriculture

Marketing and Regulatory Programs

Agricultural Marketing Service

Washington, DC 20250

Note:

New vendors and subcontractors must supply all of the required paperwork (Appendix I, Financial Statement, and 3 Reference Letters), and must register in the Online Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA). In addition, <u>all Vendors</u> must also be registered in the CCR within 48 hours after bid opening or your company may be considered non-responsive.

FV-303

Fruit and Vegetable Programs

Date Issued: June 4, 2008

Frozen Vegetables, Announcement FV-303, Invitation 043

The Department of Agriculture (USDA) invites offers to sell frozen vegetables as indicated below and per the Announcement for use in child nutrition and other domestic food assistance programs. **Offers are due by 1 p.m., Central Time, Wednesday, June 18, 2008**. Acceptances will be announced by midnight, July 8, 2008. Deliveries are to be made from September 1, 2008 through October 31, 2008.

Offers are invited from the trade for:

Carrots

30 lb. ctn

39,600 cases

No offer will be made to 8(a) vendors on this invitation.

All prime vendors are reminded that they are prohibited from subcontracting with companies or individuals that have been suspended or debarred.

Destinations with split shipments that are unspecified on the invitation are indicated by a single asterisk (*).

All invitations with orders for the state of New York must have the pack date stamped on the outside of each carton. The pack date should be annotated as per the following example: (05/01/2003). Orders for the state of New York requiring this special marking will be indicated by (**). This applies to New York orders "Only," if and when they appear on an Invitation.

Bids must be submitted electronically via the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) on the Internet. Offerors who submit bids using other than DEBES will be deemed non-responsive. Offeror must be assigned a Logon ID by USDA to access the site. The Internet address is: http://pcsd.usda.gov/debes which translates into a connection of https://pcsd.usda.gov/3077/mdbc1000.exe?. Once connected, follow the online procedures. A 'HELP' button provides detailed instructions for using the system or call 202-720-4517 for assistance.



Bidders are cautioned to bid only quantities they can reasonably expect to produce and deliver in accordance with the contract. Inquiries about Announcement FV-303; Appendix-1; the Commodity Specification for Canned Vegetables dated April 2004, as amended; or this Invitation should be directed to the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0239, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, DC 20250-0239, telephone (202) 720-4517. An electronic version of this Invitation can be obtained through the World Wide Web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp.

Purchases of the commodities listed below will be made on a delivered basis, subject to Announcement FV-303, to the listed locations. Destination quantities are estimates and are subject to adjustment based on offerings, changes in recipient need, market conditions, and program operations. Delivery by trucks or railcars is optional to the contractor, except for those destination(s) which specify delivery by truck only or rail only.

ANNOUNCEMENT : FV303 INVITATION : 043

COMM GROUP : 39 VEGETABLES, FROZEN
COMM TYPE : 60 CARROTS, FROZEN
PACK SIZE : 30 30 LB CARTON

ITEM NO	DESTINATION CITY	ST 	TRANS RESTR	QUANTITY (CSE)	PRICE PER (CSE)			
DELIVERY PERIOD 09/01/08 - 09/15/08								
001	TAUNTON	MA	TRUCK ONLY	1,320				
002	CHICOPEE TAUNTON	MA MA	TRUCK ONLY	990 330				
003	WILMINGTON	ΜA		1,320				
004	WORCESTER	AM		1,320				
00,5	LÍNCOLN	RI	TRUCK ONLY	1,320				
006	LAKELAND MOBILE WINTER HAVEN	FL AL FL	TRUCK ONLY	400 561 359				
007	BOLINGBROOK	IL	TRUCK ONLY	1,320				
800	FORT WAYNE LOGANSPORT VINCENNES	IN IN IN	TRUCK ONLY	368 622 330				
009	GRAND RAPIDS	MI	TRUCK ONLY	1,320				
010	HOUSTON	ТX		1,320				
011	SAN ANTONIO	TX	TRUCK ONLY	1,320				
012	INDEPENDENCE	МО		1,320				
013	LINCOLN OMAHA	NE NE	TRUCK ONLY	330 990	*			

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DELIVERY PERIOD 09/16/08 - 09/30/08								
014	DELAWARE CITY	DE	TRUCK ONLY	1,320				
015	ALTOONA	PA	TRUCK ONLY	3,960				
016	COAL TOWNSHIP	PA	TRUCK ONLY	1,320				
017	COAL TOWNSHIP PHILADELPHIA	PA PA	TRUCK ONLY TRUCK ONLY	660 660				
018	PHILADELPHIA	PA	TRUCK ONLY	1,320				
019	WILKES-BARRE	PA	TRUCK ONLY	1,320				
020	BLOOMINGTON FORT WAYNE LOGANSPORT	IN IN	TRUCK ONLY TRUCK ONLY	562 428 330				
021	NEWPORT	MN		1,320				
022	DARIEN	WI		1,320				
023	EAU CLAIRE JACKSON	WI	TRUCK ONLY	620 700				
024	POMONA	CA	TRUCK ONLY	1,320				
DELIVERY PERIOD 10/01/08 - 10/15/08								
025	ROCKY HILL	СТ	TRUCK ONLY	1,320				
026	BERKELEY	IL	TRUCK ONLY	1,320				

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DELIVERY PERIOD 10/16/08 - 10/31/08						
027	NEWPORT	MN	1,320			
028	CLEARFIELD LINDON	UT UT TRUCK ONLY	920 400			
TOTAL QUANTITY FOR COMMODITY TYPE 39,600						
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Commodity Procurement Branch Fruit and Vegetable Programs

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